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Idaho Milk Production Up 6.9 Percent

Idaho milk production during October 2010 totaled 1.09 billion pounds, a 6.9 percent increase from the same month last year, and up slightly from September 2010, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. September 2010 milk production was revised to 1.09 billion pounds, down 6 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in October 2010 was 1,910 pounds, up 40 pounds from October 2009. The average number of milk cows during October was 571,000 head, up 25,000 from October 2009 but unchanged from September 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during October totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 3.3 percent from October 2009. September revised production at 14.5 billion pounds, was up 3.7 percent from September 2009. The September revision represented an increase of 6 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,767 pounds for October, 47 pounds above October 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.37 million head, 52,000 head more than October 2009, but unchanged from September 2010.

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